

Remarks

Claims 1-2, 6-8, 30, 34, 36, and 37 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. published patent application 2003/0169769 ("Ho") in view of U.S. published patent application 2002/0089959 ("Fischer").

Claim 9 has been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ho and Fischer in view of U.S. published patent application 2005/0073960 ("Oura").

Claim 10 has been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ho and Fischer in view of U.S. patent 5,706,428 ("Boer").

Claims 11, 15, 17-18, 20-22, 26-27, 41, 46, and 50 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Boer in view of Fischer.

Claim 19 has been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Boer and Fischer in view of Oura.

Claims 40 and 45 have been rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ho and Fischer in view of U.S. patent 6,694,134 ("Lu").

Allowable subject matter

Claims 16, 35, and 51 have been objected to for being dependent on a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The allowable subject matter of claims 16, 35, and 51 has been moved into independent claims 11, 30, and 46, respectively, rendering claims 11, 30, and 46 allowable. Claims 17-20 depend from claim 11, while claims 36-37 depend from claim 30, rendering these dependent claims allowable as well. All remaining claims have been cancelled.

Conclusion

For the foregoing reasons, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance, and indication of allowance by the Examiner is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions concerning this application, he or she is requested to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number shown below as soon as possible. If any fee insufficiency or overpayment is found, please charge any insufficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0221.

Respectfully submitted,

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